

REMARKS

Claims 3-8, 10 and 11 were previously identified as being allowed. All other claims have now been canceled, making moot any rejections applicable to the outstanding claims.

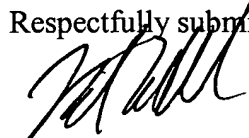
The amendment places the application in *prima facie* condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered, and that the application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

A provisional petition is hereby made for any extension of time necessary for the continued pendency during the life of this application. Please charge any fees for such provisional petition and any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041 (Whitham, Curtis & Christofferson, P.C.).

Respectfully submitted,



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